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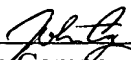
Applicants have canceled claim 4. Claims 1-3 remain pending.

Applicants respectfully submit this case is in condition for allowance, such allowance being earnestly solicited.

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121, attached hereto is a marked-up copy of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current preliminary amendment. The version with markings to show changes made is located in the attached Appendix A.

Respectfully submitted,

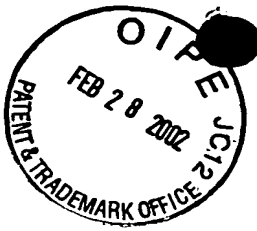
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Appendix A

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 4 has been canceled.

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